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**THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE ADOPTED AT THE MARCH 16, 2001, COMMISSION MEETING
AND RELEASED LATER THAT DAY**

NEWS RELEASES

FCC ADOPTS DETARIFFING AND STREAMLINING MEASURES REGARDING INTERNATIONAL INTEREXCHANGE SERVICES. The FCC took action to promote further deregulation of international long distance services. By R&O, FCC 01-93. News Release. Action by: the Commission. Adopted: 03/16/2001. Contact News Media Contact: Chris Murphy at (202) 418-2373; IB Contact: Kathryn O'Brien at (202) 418-0439 [DOC-211167A1.pdf](#) [DOC-211167A2.pdf](#) [DOC-211167A3.pdf](#) [DOC-211167A1.doc](#) [DOC-211167A2.doc](#) [DOC-211167A3.doc](#) [DOC-211167A1.txt](#) [DOC-211167A2.txt](#) [DOC-211167A3.txt](#)

FCC PROPOSES TO UPDATE RULES FOR BAS; CONFORM TECHNICAL RULES FOR BAS, CARS AND FS; AND ALLOW VIDEO ASSIST DEVICES. The FCC adopted a NPRM proposing to update the Broadcast Auxiliary Service rules to enable BAS licensees throughout the country to take advantage of the latest digital technology. News Release. Action by: the Commission. Adopted: 03/16/2001. Contact OET Contact: Ira Keltz at (202) 418-0616 [DOC-211170A1.pdf](#) [DOC-211170A1.doc](#) [DOC-211170A1.txt](#)

FCC TAKES STEPS TO REALLOCATE AND ADOPT SERVICE RULES FOR TELEVISION CHANNELS 52-59. The FCC began the process of reallocating television Channel 52-59 (the 698-746 MHz spectrum band) for new commercial wireless and broadcast services, and proposed rules for the licensing, operating, and competitive bidding of wireless and other services. News Release. Action by: the Commission. (Dkt No 96-45). Adopted: 03/16/2001. News Media Contact: Allocation Issues: Lisa Gaisford at (202) 418-7280, email: lgaisfor@fcc.gov; Service and Licensing Issues WTB. Contact News Media Contact: Meribeth McCarrick at (202) 418-0654; Contacts: (Allocation issues) Lisa Gaisford at (202) 418-7280; (Service and Licensing issues) William Stafford at (202) 418-0563; (Broadcast issues) Keith Larson at (202) 418-2605 [DOC-211171A1.pdf](#) [DOC-211171A2.pdf](#) [DOC-211171A1.doc](#) [DOC-211171A2.doc](#) [DOC-211171A1.txt](#) [DOC-211171A2.txt](#)

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE DATED AND RELEASED TODAY:

NEWS RELEASES

CONSUMER/DISABILITY TELECOMMUNICATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO HOLD FIRST MEETING ON MONDAY, MARCH 26. The FCC will receive an important new tool to assist it in serving consumers, including those with disabilities, when the Consumer/Disability Telecommunications Advisory Committee holds its first meeting on Monday March 26. News Release. News Media Contact: Rosemary Kimball at (202) 418-0511 CIB. Contact Scott Marshall at (202) 418-2809, TTY: (202) 418-0179, edtac@fcc.gov [DOC-211188A1.pdf](#) [DOC-211188A2.pdf](#) [DOC-211188A3.pdf](#) [DOC-211188A4.pdf](#) [DOC-211188A1.doc](#) [DOC-211188A2.doc](#) [DOC-211188A3.doc](#) [DOC-211188A4.doc](#) [DOC-211188A1.txt](#) [DOC-211188A2.txt](#) [DOC-211188A3.txt](#) [DOC-211188A4.txt](#)

PUBLIC NOTICES

Released: 03/19/2001. TARIFF TRANSMITTAL PUBLIC REFERENCE LOG Public Reference Log: 03/16/2001. CCB. Contact: Reference Information Center at (202) 418-0270 [DOC-211200A1.pdf](#) [DOC-211200A1.txt](#)

Released: 03/19/2001. NEXTG CORPORATION SEEKS COMMISSION DETERMINATION OF "EXEMPT TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY" STATUS UNDER THE PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT. (DA No. 01-712) Pleading Cycle Established. Comments Due: 03/26/2001. CCB [DA-01-712A1.pdf](#) [DA-01-712A1.doc](#) [DA-01-712A1.txt](#)

Report No: 2473 Released: 03/19/2001. PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION AND CLARIFICATION OF ACTION IN RULEMAKING PROCEEDINGS. (Dkt No 87-8, 91-221, 92-105, 92-235, 96-98, 98-147, 98-16). CIB. Contact: Carolyn Bryant at (202) 418-0295 [DOC-211189A1.pdf](#) [DOC-211189A1.doc](#) [DOC-211189A1.txt](#)

Report No: 1303 Released: 03/19/2001. CABLE SERVICES BUREAU REGISTRATIONS; SPECIAL RELIEF AND SHOW CAUSE PETITIONS. CSB. Contact: (202) 418-7000 [DOC-211195A1.pdf](#) [DOC-211195A1.doc](#) [DOC-211195A1.txt](#)

Report No: SAT-00066 Released: 03/19/2001. INTERNATIONAL BUREAU SETS DEADLINES CONCERNING MOTIENT/TMI ASSIGNMENT AND TRANSFER OF CONTROL APPLICATIONS, AND MOTIENT'S REQUEST FOR SECOND GENERATION SATELLITE/TERRESTRIAL SYSTEM; DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR TMI'S APPLICATIONS TO ASSIGN EARTH STATIONS. IB. Contact: Terrence R. Reideler at (202) 418-2165, Herbert Zeiler at (202) 418-0686 [DOC-211194A1.pdf](#) [DOC-211194A1.txt](#)

Report No: 44944 Released: 03/19/2001. BROADCAST ACTIONS. MMB [DOC-211198A1.pdf](#) [DOC-211198A1.txt](#) [DOC-211198A1.doc](#)

Report No: 24944 Released: 03/19/2001. BROADCAST APPLICATIONS. MMB [DOC-211197A1.pdf](#) [DOC-211197A1.txt](#) [DOC-211197A1.doc](#)

Report No: 328 Released: 03/19/2001. INSTRUCTIONAL TELEVISION FIXED SERVICE: PROPOSED RENEWAL, ASSIGNMENT AND TRANSFER OF CONTROL APPLICATIONS. MMB [DOC-211080A1.pdf](#) [DOC-211080A1.txt](#)

Report No: 327 Released: 03/19/2001. INSTRUCTIONAL TELEVISION FIXED SERVICE: PROPOSED MINOR MODIFICATION CONSTRUCTION PERMITS AND EXTENSION APPLICATIONS. MMB [DOC-211081A1.pdf](#) [DOC-211081A1.txt](#)

Released: 03/19/2001. EX PARTE PRESENTATIONS AND POST-REPLY COMMENT PERIOD FILINGS IN PERMIT-BUT-DISCLOSE PROCEEDINGS. OMD. Contact: Barbara Lowe at (202) 418-0310 [DOC-211191A1.pdf](#) [DOC-211191A1.doc](#) [DOC-211191A1.txt](#)

Report No: AUC-36 (Auction No. Released: 03/19/2001. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU ANNOUNCES IT IS PREPARED TO GRANT LICENSES FOR THE 800 MHZ SPECIALIZED MOBILE RADIO (SMR) SERVICE FREQUENCIES IN THE LOWER 80 CHANNELS AUCTION AFTER FINAL PAYMENT IS MADE. (DA No. 01-709) Auction Event No. 36. WTB [DA-01-709A1.pdf](#) [DA-01-709A2.pdf](#) [DA-01-709A3.pdf](#) [DA-01-709A4.pdf](#) [DA-01-709A5.pdf](#) [DA-01-709A1.doc](#) [DA-01-709A2.doc](#) [DA-01-709A3.doc](#) [DA-01-709A1.txt](#) [DA-01-709A2.txt](#) [DA-01-709A3.txt](#) [DA-01-709A4.txt](#) [DA-01-709A5.txt](#)

Released: 03/19/2001. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION BUREAU SEEKS COMMENT ON REQUEST BY MARITEL, INC. TO ASSIGN MARITIME MOBILE SERVICE IDENTITIES (MMSIS) TO VESSEL THAT ARE REQUIRED TO BE LICENSED. (DA No. 01-698). Comments Due: 04/18/2001. Reply Comments Due: 05/03/2001. WTB. Contact: Jim Shaffer at (202) 418-0687, TTY: (202) 418-7233, email: jshaffer@fcc.gov [DA-01-698A1.pdf](#) [DA-01-698A1.doc](#) [DA-01-698A1.txt](#)

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PIONEER TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC., PANHANDLE TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC., AND EAGLENET, INC.. Granted the petition for waiver of Part 36, Appendix-Glossary, of the Commission's rules, filed by Pioneer Telephone Cooperative, Inc., Panhandle Telephone Cooperative, Inc., and EagleNet, Inc.. (Dkt No. 96-45). Action by: Chief, Accounting Policy Division, Common Carrier Bureau. Adopted: 03/16/2001 by M&O. (DA No. 01-659). CCB [DA-01-659A1.pdf](#) [DA-01-659A1.doc](#) [DA-01-659A1.txt](#)

WTNH BROADCASTING, INC. AND K-W, TV, INC.. Denied the Petition filed by WTNH Broadcasting, Inc.. Action by: Deputy Chief, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: 03/15/2001 by MO&O. (DA No. 91-705). CSB [DA-91-705A1.pdf](#) [DA-91-705A1.doc](#) [DA-91-705A1.txt](#)

BENEDEK LICENSE CORPORATION. Granted the Petition for Reconsideration filed by Benedek License Corporation. Action by: Deputy Chief, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: 03/15/2001 by ORDER. (DA No. 01-704). CSB [DA-01-704A1.pdf](#) [DA-01-704A1.doc](#) [DA-01-704A1.txt](#)

KNTV LICENSE, INC.. Granted the Petition for Special Relief filed on behalf of KNTV License, Inc.. Action by: Chief, Consumer Protection and Competition Division, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: 03/16/2001 by MO&O. (DA No. 01-706). CSB [DA-01-706A1.pdf](#) [DA-01-706A1.doc](#) [DA-01-706A1.txt](#)

FRANK J. VITALE, D/B/A FAL-COMM COMMUNICATIONS V. MEDIAONE OF METROPOLITAN DETROIT, INC.. Denied the Petition for Relief of Fal-Comm Communicaitons in File No. CSR 5379-L. Action by: Deputy Chief, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: 03/15/2001 by MO&O. (DA No. 01-703). CSB [DA-01-703A1.pdf](#) [DA-01-703A1.doc](#) [DA-01-703A1.txt](#)

SPECTRASITE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.. Issued monetary forfeiture to SpectraSite Communications, Inc. in the amount of \$17,000 for failure to post antenna structure registration ("ASR) numbers on three of its towers and failure to notify the FCC of changes in ownership information for three of. Action by: Chief, Enforcement Bureau. Adopted: 03/16/2001 by Forfeiture Order. (DA No. 01-701). CSB [DA-01-701A1.pdf](#) [DA-01-701A1.doc](#) [DA-01-701A1.txt](#)

AT&T WIRELESS SERVICES, INC.. Issued a monetary forfeiture in the amount of \$14,000 against AT&T Wireless Services, Inc. for willfully and repeatedly violating Section 17.4(g) of the Commission's Rules. Action by: Chief, Enforcement Bureau. Adopted: 03/16/2001 by Forfeiture Order. (DA No. 01-708). ENF [DA-01-708A1.pdf](#) [DA-01-708A1.doc](#) [DA-01-708A1.txt](#)

ADDENDA: THE FOLLOWING ITEMS, RELEASED MARCH 16, 2001, DID NOT APPEAR IN DIGEST NO. 54:

NEWS RELEASES

PRESS STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONER GLORIA TRISTANI ON INDIAN TRIBE ASPECTS OF THE NATIONWIDE PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT FOR THE COLLOCATION OF WIRELESS ANTENNAS. News Release CMMR [DOC-211187A1.pdf](#) [DOC-211187A1.doc](#) [DOC-211187A1.txt](#)

FCC ANNOUNCES PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT WITH RESPECT TO COLLOCATING WIRELESS ANTENNAS ON EXISTING STRUCTURES. News Release. News Media Contact: Meribeth McCarrick at (202) 418-0654 WTB. Contact Chris Gacek at (202) 418-7413, email: cgacek@fcc.gov or Jeff Steinberger at (202) 418-0896, email: jsteinberg@fcc.gov [DOC-211185A1.pdf](#) [DOC-211185A1.doc](#) [DOC-211185A1.txt](#)

PUBLIC NOTICES

Released: 03/16/2001. ERRATUM TO REPORT NO. 2471 PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION AND CLARIFICATION OF ACTION IN RULEMAKING PROCEEDING. CIB. Contact: Carolyn Bryant at (202) 418-0295 [DOC-211199A1.pdf](#) [DOC-211199A1.doc](#) [DOC-211199A1.txt](#)

Released: 03/16/2001. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU ANNOUNCES EXECUTION OF PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT WITH RESPECT TO. (DA No. 01-691) COLLOCATING WIRELESS ANTENNAS ON EXISTING STRUCTURES. WTB. Contact: Dan Abeyta at (202) 418-1538 [DA-01-691A1.pdf](#) [DA-01-691A1.doc](#) [DA-01-691A1.txt](#)

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AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990. FCC explores the means by which individuals with hearing and speech disabilities will be able to make calls from payphones. By 2nd FNPRM. (Dkt No. 90-571). Action by: The Commission. Adopted: 03/13/2001 by NPRM. (FCC No. 01-89). CCB [FCC-01-89A1.pdf](#) [FCC-01-89A1.doc](#) [FCC-01-89A1.txt](#)

BROADBANDCONNECT, INC.. Granted the Application of Broadband Connect, Inc. for certification to operate an open video system in the Service Areas. Action by: Chief, Consumer Protection and Competition Division, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: 03/16/2001 by MO&O. (DA No. 01-702). CSB [DA-01-702A1.pdf](#) [DA-01-702A1.doc](#) [DA-01-702A1.txt](#)

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATIONS FOR TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF LICENSES AND SECTION 214 AUTHORIZATIONS FROM MEDIAONE GROUP, INC. TO AT&T CORPORATION. Suspended the March 20, 2001 and May 19, 2001 compliance deadlines established in June 6, 2000 in this proceeding.. (Dkt No. 99-251). Action by: The Commission. Adopted: 03/16/2001 by ORDER. (FCC No. 01-95). CSB [FCC-01-95A1.pdf](#) [FCC-01-95A2.pdf](#) [FCC-01-95A1.doc](#) [FCC-01-95A2.doc](#) [FCC-01-95A1.txt](#) [FCC-01-95A2.txt](#)

SHAREHOLDERS OF CBS CORPORATION (TRANSFEROR) AND VIACOM, INC. (TRANSFeree). Denied the "Emergency Request of Viacom, Inc. for Interim Relief ending Judicial Review" for Transfer of Control of CBS Corporation and certain subsidiaries, licensees of KCBS-TV, Los Angeles, CA, et al.. Action by:

The Commission. Adopted: 03/16/2001 by ORDER. (FCC No. 01-94). MMB [FCC-01-94A1.pdf](#) [FCC-01-94A1.doc](#) [FCC-01-94A1.txt](#)